## Cindy Chavez Santa Clara County Supervisor

**Board Composition:** A county supervisor or county administrative officer. Appointed by the Governor, subject to Senate confirmation



- Supervisor Cindy Chavez represents more than a half million people in East, Central and South San Jose.
- Regionally she serves as Chair of Bay Area Air Quality Management District and is a member of the CalTrain Board aof Directors, playing a leadership role in the electrification of Caltrain and planning for high-speed rail.
- She is also a commissioner representing Santa Clara County on the Metropolitan Transportation Commission and serves on the Valley Transportation Authority Board of Directors.
- Statewide, Governor Gavin Newsom just appointed Supervisor Chavez to the California Board of State and Community Corrections. She will be sworn-in next week. The BSCC works in partnership with local corrections systems and assists efforts to make improvements in reducing recidivism.
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- affordable housing in Santa Clara County by getting a \$950-million affordable housing bond passed in 2016 with several already open or under construction. The County in partnership with the City of San Jose and housing non-profits just launched a new program called "Heading Home" to house all families in the County living on the streets.
- Her visionary policies include getting COVID vaccines into the arms of all Santa Clara County residents, improved services for physically & sexually abused children under one roof at the new Children's Advocacy Center; more comprehensive help and resources for our foster youth; expansive, structural changes to digital and broadband services for Santa Clara County's school children in disadvantaged areas and health care for all children.
- Cindy successfully led the effort to shut-down Reid-Hillview Airport after a leadstudy revealed the airport was poisoning residents and children.
- In August 2020 we celebrated the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women's right to vote. During the last three years Board President Chavez mobilized women to use the anniversary as an opportunity to register women to vote and get accurate Census 2020 numbers. Before the pandemic hit, she organized a march through the

- downtown to bring attention to the importance of the anniversary now including women of color and the inequities that still exist.
- Board President Chavez along with many of our non-profits in Santa Clara County led an unprecedented movement to get a 400 percent increase in funding for survivors of sexual assault, human trafficking and gender-based violence. The goal is for the services to help change the trajectory of women's lives in the areas of affordable housing, mental health, job training, education and childcare.
- She worked tirelessly with the district attorney, the crime lab and law enforcement to expediate the process of rape kits to 30 days.
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